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SUBJECT: POLITICAL MOVEMENTS STIR IN NORTHERN GREECE

1. AFTERNOON DAILY "THESSALONIKI" REPORTED MASS MEETING OF ALMOST ALL FORMER CENTER UNION DEPUTIES FROM MACEDONIA, THRACE AND THESSALY IN THESSALONIKI PREVIOUS DAY. MEETING HEADED BY FORMER MINAG ALEXANDROS BALTATZIS, MIN. OF NORTHERN GREECE KONST. TALIADOURIS, AND UNDERSEC NATIONAL DEFENSE MICHAEL PAPACONSTANTINOU, ALL FROM '63-'65 PAPANDREOU REGIME. MEETING CALLED FOR GREEK UNITY IN NATIONAL CRISIS, RESTORATION OF "DEMOCRATIC STABILITY" AND "EXEMPLARY PUNISHMENT OF THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR NATIONAL TRAGEDY". NEED TO ESTABLISH CENTER UNION ON BROADER BASIS, WITH A "MODERN AND PROGRESSIVE POLITICAL AND SOCIAL PROGRAM", AND TO INCLUDE NEW FORCES WHICH RESISTED DICTATORSHIP ALSO DISCUSSED. CALL ALSO MADE FOR WIDER PARTICIPATION IN PARTY OF "DEMOCRATIC YOUTH". COMMENT: ONE OF LEADING CU ACTIVISTS IN THIS AREA IN PAST FEW WEEKS HAS BEEN PAPACONSTANTINOU, WHO RETURNED TO SENTIMENTAL WELCOME IN HIS HOME TOWN OF KOZANI AFTER SEVEN YEARS' ABSENCE, AND HAS PUBLISHED AT LEAST TWO ARTICLES ON POLITICAL THEMES IN LOCAL PRESS LAST TEN DAYS.

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2. IN SAME EDITION, "THESSALONIKI" PUBLISHED RELEASE FROM "MARXIST-LENINIST MOVEMENT OF THESSALONIKI" SAID TO BE

GROUP OF WORKERS AND STUDENTS, WHICH DENOUNCED "MURDEROUS  
ATTACK ON CYPRUS BY TURKISH CHAUVINISTS", BLAMING BOTH  
"AMERICAN IMPERIALISM" FOR GUIDING ACTION AND "SOCIAL-  
IMPERIALISTIC TACTIC OF SOVIET UNION" IN ISSUING EMPTY  
PROCLAMATIONS WHILE LOOKING ON APATHETICALLY. BOTH NATIONS  
HAVE SENT FLEETS TO MEDITERRANEAN TO "MUFFLE ANY ANTI-  
IMPERIALISTIC AND LIBERATION MOVEMENTS" IN AREA, TRACT  
CONTINUES, CALLING UPON GREEKS TO ESTABLISH ANTI-FASCIST,  
ANTI-IMPERIALISTIC FRONT TO STOP "NEO-FASCIST THREAT".  
CONCLUDES WITH CALL FOR ARREST OF "CRIMINALS OF SEVEN-YEAR  
TYRANNY", SERVANTS OF AMERICAN IMPERIALISM, WHO ARE  
RESPONSIBLE FOR SUFFERING OF CYPRUS PEOPLE. COMMENT:  
ENDEAVORING IDENTIFY ISSUING ORGANIZATION, WHOSE JARGON  
FAMILIAR AND ORIENTATION EVIDENTLY MAOIST, BUT NOT  
KNOWN HERE PREVIOUSLY.  
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